

# BAMBOO BLINDS

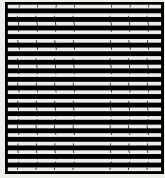
INSTALLATION &  
MAINTENANCE MANUAL

NATURAL | ORGANIC

I&M MANUAL

house of  
bamboo

EST. 1972



# BAMBOO BLINDS

## MAINTENANCE MANUAL

### PRODUCT TERMS & CONDITIONS

---

The bamboo material photos displayed in our document serve as an indication of colour. However, due to variations in lighting, viewing equipment, and the photography process, there may be inaccuracies. We recommend using these images as a guide and encourage you to contact us for an in-home or on-site appointment, or visit our showroom to view our full range of materials in person.

Please be aware that bamboo is a natural product, and as such, shades and textures may vary depending on the substrate, batch, grain width, and natural features within the same species. These variations occur naturally and are part of the unique appeal of bamboo. We urge customers to select materials by viewing them in person, ideally in the location where they are to be installed. Contact us to arrange a on-site measure and quote.

### CARE AND MAINTENANCE

---

Since our bamboo blinds are expertly crafted from premium materials, following the simple instructions in this tutorial will guarantee that they look fantastic for many years to come.

Many of the bamboo blinds in our selection are appropriate for outdoor use. They offer shelter from the rain, wind, and sun. It can continue to function properly for many years with a few easy precautions to protect the blind (see over).

### DUST & DEBRIS

---

When dust and debris build up on the surface, you can remove it with a non-scratch feather duster or soft cloth. To remove dust and debris from between the slats, use a vacuum cleaner fitted with an upholstery or dusting attachment.

### DIRT & STAINS

---

For stubborn dirt and stains, clean with detergent and water. Dilute the detergent according to the manufacturer instructions and apply by spraying on. Leave for a few minutes to soften and break down the dirt/stain, then use a nonabrasive sponge, or soft brush to remove it. Leave the blind rolled down to dry after cleaning, in the open air if possible, ideally in a dry, sunny place.

### WIND & STORMS

---

Although your blinds are covered by our 3 Year Warranty, wind and storm damage is not included in the warranty. It is necessary to roll the blinds up out of the way in stormy, windy conditions.

Tie-downs are an optional accessory we can supply that prevent blinds from movement, especially useful in breezy conditions. Noise is reduced and damage to the blind can be prevented. However our blinds are not designed to withstand strong wind and driving rain, and, as mentioned above, the blinds must be rolled up out of the way in such weather.

## RAIN, MOISTURE & DAMP CONDITIONS

---

Many of our bamboo blind materials are suitable for use in moist areas such as bathrooms, kitchens and laundries. And many can also be installed outdoors.

Our warranty applies even in damp environments, providing you take appropriate care, including allowing them to dry out thoroughly whenever they do get wet (i.e. don't roll them up while wet).

Note that our warranty does not cover mould or mildew growth as this is something beyond our control. However, by following the Mould Removal instructions above, mould and mildew can be removed without damaging the blind.

## MOULD REMOVAL

---

To prevent the growth of mould and mildew on bamboo blinds, it's essential to regularly remove dust and debris before it accumulates, and to ensure proper airflow around the blinds. However, during prolonged periods of wet and damp conditions, additional measures may be required.

If mould appears, it should be addressed promptly before it spreads. Start by spraying the affected area with white vinegar, then gently scrub with a non-scratch brush and wipe clean with a damp cloth.

### Extensive Mould Growth:

For more extensive mould growth, after following the initial cleaning steps, apply a solution of Oil of Cloves and water (1/4 teaspoon per litre of water). Test this solution on an inconspicuous area first. Allow the oil to soak into the blind material for 24 hours. Afterward, sprinkle bicarbonate of soda over the area and spray with white vinegar—the resulting fizzing action helps cleanse the material. Use a non-scratch brush or a vacuum attachment to remove the bicarbonate residue.

Finally, allow the blinds to dry fully, preferably rolled down in open air, especially in sunny and dry conditions.

### Minor Mould Growth:

Using bleach to remove mould: Household bleach can be used to eliminate the visible appearance of mould. However, since bleach does not kill mould spores, it should be considered only a temporary solution.

Dilute the bleach in water at a ratio of 2 parts water to 1 part bleach. Always wear gloves and protect your skin and eyes. You may spray the solution onto the blinds, but only if you can ensure that the spray doesn't drift onto other surfaces, people, clothing, plants, furniture, or the floor. Alternatively, apply the bleach solution with a sponge outdoors, taking care to cover nearby surfaces to prevent damage from drips.

Once treated, leave the blinds rolled down in a warm, dry, well-ventilated area until they are completely dry.

## CARE & INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERNAL BLINDS

---

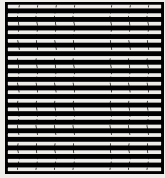
1. Remove dust with a feather duster or light cloth, or vacuum using a soft brush attachment.
2. Use a damp cloth to remove any remaining dirt or insect marks.
3. Allow the blinds to dry before rolling them up again.
4. If the blinds begin to show mildew, promptly wash this off using a cleaning product containing a mild bleach.

## CARE & INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXTERNAL BLINDS

---

Follow the general cleaning instructions as above for interior blinds. Suitable additional care will prolong the life and appearance of your exterior blinds as below:

1. If the blinds are down, and have been exposed to rain, it is important to allow them to dry thoroughly before rolling up.
2. If the blinds get wet while rolled up, unroll the blinds fully and allow them to dry thoroughly before rolling up again.
3. The blinds are not designed for use in high winds. If you know that storms or strong winds are forecast, roll the blinds up to prevent the possibility of damage.
4. In some circumstances, it may be practical for you to remove your blinds for storage during the winter months.



# BAMBOO BLINDS

## INSTALLATION MANUAL

### TIPS TO MEASURE BLINDS

---

#### Face-Fit or Reveal:

You can choose to have your blind made to fit the inside of the recess of your window or it can hang on the outside. Finally, allow the blinds to dry fully, preferably rolled down in open air, especially in sunny and dry conditions.

#### Face-Fit:

This is the measurement you need to take if you want your blind to hang outside the window recess. We will make your blind exactly to these measurements.

#### Reveal:

This is the measurement you need to take if you want your blind to fit inside the window recess. We will make the necessary deductions for recess fit blinds to ensure adequate clearance. There's no need for you to make any adjustments.

### SIMPLE STEPS FOR A FACE-FIT MEASUREMENT - INDOORS

---

Follow these instructions if you want your blind to hang inside the window recess:

1. Measure the width of the recess from wall to wall in three places -top, centre and bottom. Note down the shortest measurement - this is the one we'll use.
2. Measure the drop by taking the measurement from the top of the recess to the windowsill in three places - left, centre and right. Note down the shortest measurement.

### SIMPLE STEPS FOR A FACE-FIT MEASUREMENT - OUTDOORS

---

Follow these instructions if you want your blind to hang outside the window recess:

1. Measure the exact width of where you'd like your blind to be. Note down the measurement.
2. Measure the exact drop from the top of where you want your blind to be to the bottom. Note down the measurement.

### FITTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ROMAN AND ROLL-UP BLINDS - CORD CLEATS

---

The cord cleats are used to tie excess cords out of the reach of children. The cord cleat should be installed to the window frame or wall, 1600mm above the floor level. All excess cord should be wrapped around the cleat, keeping it out of reach of children and neatly off the floor or furniture.

Position the cleat against the window frame or wall in a place that is accessible to the user, while remaining inaccessible to small children. Use a drill to fasten the cleat with the two screws provided.

For exterior rollup blinds, and also some longer interior rollup blinds, it is useful to place a second cleat approximately 300mm above the first one - this makes the storage of the cord neater and easier.

## FITTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ROMAN AND ROLL-UP BLINDS

---

The blinds do not have brackets – they are attached by means of screws driven directly into the window or door frame, or into the wallboard.

1. For Face Fit Blinds: Use the holes on the front of the head rail.
2. For Top Fit Blinds: Use the holes on the bottom of the head rail.

Place the blind in the desired position. Hold the valance out of the way of the power drill. Drive the first of the screws in at one end. Then screw the other end, ensuring that the blind is held level. If the blind is over 1000mm in width, it will have a third screw near the centre – drive this one in last, ensuring that the blind does not sag in the middle.

Release the blind to its full drop, then raise it up again. Check that it is gathered or rolled correctly and sits neatly behind the valance. Release it again to its full drop and check that it is hanging straight and level at the bottom. You can gently stretch and twist the material until it is sitting well.

Check and adjust the valance to ensure that it is hanging straight and even.

### WARNING

- Young children can STRANGLE in cord loops. They can also wrap cords around their necks and STRANGLE.
- Always keep cords out of children's reach.
- Install and use safety devices that remove the cord loop or reduce access to cords.
- Move cots, play pens and other furniture away from cords and bead chains. Children can climb furniture to get to cords.
- Do not tie cords together. Make sure that cords do not twist together and create a loop.

## STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

---

This publication's technical information and application suggestions are based on the best of our current knowledge. Since the material provided here is general in nature, no guarantee of correctness, dependability, or completeness—either expressed or implied—is offered, save as required by Commonwealth or State law. Moreover, no assumption can be made regarding a product's suitability for a given use or application. The responsibility of verifying that products are appropriate for the purposes for which they are intended falls on the owner, his agent, or the contractor.

## TALK TO US ABOUT THE BAMBOO YOU NEVER KNEW

Phone:	Local or Interstate: 1800 240 996
	International: (+61)2 9666 5703
For General Enquiries	<a href="mailto:info@houseofbamboo.com.au">info@houseofbamboo.com.au</a>
For any Upcoming Projects	<a href="mailto:projects@houseofbamboo.com.au">projects@houseofbamboo.com.au</a>
Address	13 Erith Street, Botany NSW 2019
Opening Hours	Monday to Friday: 8:00am - 4:00pm
	Saturday: 9:00am - 1:00pm
	Sunday: Closed
Website	<a href="https://www.houseofbamboo.com.au/">https://www.houseofbamboo.com.au/</a>
Follow Us on Instagram	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/house.of.bamboo.australia">@house.of.bamboo.australia</a>

